

KIRKLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT

123 5th Avenue Kirkland, WA 98033

CASE# 2018-00014100

CASE REPORT

NARRATIVE

18-14100

J. Klein #618

Assault 3

20 April 2018

Narrative

On 20 April 2018 at about 1540 hours I responded to Fairfax Hospital, located at 10200 NE 132nd St. Kirkland WA 98034, after it was reported that a patient had bitten a staff member. Before arriving it was reported that the staff member had already left and was headed to Evergreen Hospital.

I arrived at Evergreen Hospital and spoke with [REDACTED] who was the staff member that had been bitten. [REDACTED] stated that she is currently employed by Fairfax Hospital as a "Program Specialist" and explained that she works as a mental health care technician. [REDACTED] provided a written statement about the incident which is included in the case file.

On 20 April 2018 at about 1500 hours [REDACTED] responded to a combative patient in the adolescent section of the hospital. When she arrived she assisted with physically restraining the patient, [REDACTED] (RCW 13.50), since she was highly agitated and combative. [REDACTED] first grabbed [REDACTED] arms to keep her from hitting anyone. At one point during the incident [REDACTED] moved to restrain [REDACTED] legs since she was stronger than some of the other staff members. As she moved towards the legs [REDACTED] grabbed her thigh and attempted to scratch her through her pants. Once [REDACTED] was free of [REDACTED] grasp she took control of her legs. While she was holding her legs [REDACTED] was able to free her torso, bend over, and bite [REDACTED] on the shoulder/back. [REDACTED] screamed since the bite hurt a great deal. Eventually [REDACTED] was able to get [REDACTED] to release her mouth for her to get away and additional staff took over restraining [REDACTED]. A staff member looked at where [REDACTED] had been bitten and noted that it was not actively bleeding, but that the blood had been drawn to the surface where [REDACTED] bit her.

[REDACTED] injuries were photographed and later uploaded into the case file. I noted a small but distinct mark on the back of [REDACTED] back/shoulder area. [REDACTED] stated that she did not need any additional medical follow-up since [REDACTED] did not "break the skin". I would like to note that at the time of the incident [REDACTED] was wearing three layers of clothing (sports bra, long-sleeve t-shirt, and a fleece vest) which means [REDACTED] made it through all three layers of clothing and still was able to leave a distinct mark on [REDACTED] back.

I then drove to Fairfax Hospital to speak with [REDACTED] I attempted to get video footage of the

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incident; however the one person who has access to it [REDACTED] was not there at the time. I left my business card and case number in order to get a copy made. While speaking with the charge nurse I confirmed that [REDACTED] was at the hospital on a mandatory court order hold and was not able to be taken into custody at the time.

I then had staff bring [REDACTED] to an area where we could talk privately. When [REDACTED] arrived she was still agitated with both staff and later me. I read [REDACTED] her Miranda Rights as well as the Juvenile warning verbatim from my Department issued Miranda card. [REDACTED] verbally acknowledged her rights and stated that she was willing to speak with me. [REDACTED] provided me with her full name, DOB, address, and phone number. When I asked [REDACTED] why I was speaking with her, without hesitation, she stated it was "because I bit that lady". I asked her why she had bitten the nurse. [REDACTED] stated that she was being held here illegally against her will and that she should be let go. She also stated that the "lady" [REDACTED] was holding her legs and that's the only reason why she bit her, because she didn't want to be restrained. I explained that assaulting a nurse was a felony and [REDACTED] immediately started to become highly agitated again and yelled "I don't care about getting arrested, I'd rather be in jail then this place". Since I did not want to get into another confrontation with [REDACTED] and given her assaultive nature I stopped the interview. [REDACTED] was then escorted back into her unit at the hospital.

Based upon [REDACTED] written statement, the physical evidence, as well as [REDACTED] own admission to biting [REDACTED] there is probable cause to arrest [REDACTED] (RCW 13.50) for RCW 9A.36.031 - Assualt 3rd Degree - Nurse.

I completed the filing paperwork to be forwarded to the juvenile court.

I will follow-up with Fairfax Hospital to get a copy of the security footage of the incident for the case file on my next duty shift during the week (Mon-Thur) when the proper person is there to make a copy.

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